



Collaboration requires clear communication.
Here's what we need to ensure smooth sailing on Surgery Day:

BEFORE SURGERY

- Prep O.R. (sterilize surfaces, mop floor, lower room temperature to <70°F)
- Prep meds (pre-meds, antibiotics, setup new IV fluids, CRI if using, etc)
 - See website for drug recommendations
- Prep patient
 - Record initial TPR in medical record
 - IV Catheter
 - Administer Pre-Med (>15min prior to induction)
 - Heat support (most heat loss occurs before surgery)
 - Induction & Intubation (remove collar)
 - Start CRI if using (Fentanyl bolus <10min prior)
 - Pre-op IV antibiotics (at induction, then q 90min)
 - Shave & Dirty Scrub (knee cases: vet wrap the foot)
 - Transport patient into O.R.

Please have the patient ready for surgery when we arrive:

- Stable under anesthesia
- Shaved
- Dirty scrubbed

We will call/text when 30min & 15min away to confirm our ETA in transit.

Materials we'll request:

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| • Sterile gown | • 1" white tape | • Sterile saline or new IV fluid bag (flush) |
| • Sterile gloves | • Ultrasound gel | • Needles (18G, 22G) |
| • Non-sterile exam gloves | • Alcohol for ECG leads | • 1 syringe for flush (20mL - 60mL) |
| • Sterile scrub & alcohol gauze | • Suture (usually 2-0 PDS, 3-0 monocryl) | • 2 luer-lock syringes for Nocita |
| | | <2.5kg patient = 1ml syringe 7.6-15kg = 6ml |
| | | 2.6-7.5kg = 3ml >15kg = 10-12ml |

DURING SURGERY

Anchor Surgery Team

- Upon arrival, set up O.R. (~5min). Transfer to Anchor monitor. Take over patient monitoring.
- Sterile preparation of surgeon & patient.
- Perform surgery, monitor anesthesia, clean instruments. Post-op TPR. Apply Hypafix bandage when indicated.

Partnering Team

- If you need to enter the sterile O.R. during surgery, please wear a surgical cap & mask.
- Most surgeries take 1hr or less. We'll provide a ~10min heads up as we're closing so you can prepare for post-op rads, extubation & recovery with heat support.

AFTER SURGERY

Partnering Team

- Transport patient out of O.R.
- Post-op rads
- Extubation & Recovery
- Payment is due at time of service
 - Check, Cash, Venmo, Zelle, ACH Transfer

Anchor Surgery Team

- Pack up equipment
- Surgeon calls pet owner from hospital phone
- Paperwork emailed same day
 - Surgery Report, Discharge Instructions, Client Communication, Invoice

Feel free to ask questions anytime!
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More resources available online at
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